

## **Western Blot**

### **1. Transfer Step**

- a. Transfer contents of SDS-Page gel to nitrocellulose membrane using western blot transfer apparatus
- b. Transfer Buffer (filter sterilize using 0.22  $\mu$ m filter):
  - 20 mM Tris pH 8.0
  - 150 mM glycine
  - 30% v/v methanol
- c. Transfer for 1 hour at 250 Amps keeping the buffer cold with ice pack

### **2. Blocking Step**

- a. Remove membrane from transfer apparatus
- b. Incubate the membrane in 25 mL blocking buffer, on rotating platform for 1 hour in the dark
- c. Blocking Buffer:
  - 25 mM Tris pH 8.0
  - 125 mM NaCl
  - 0.5% v/v Tween 20
  - 5% w/v skim milk powder

### **3. Wash Step**

- a. Wash 2 times for 5 minutes in 25mM wash buffer, on rotating platform, in the dark
- b. Wash buffer:
  - 25 mM Tris pH 8.0
  - 125 mM NaCl
  - 0.5% v/v Tween 20

### **4. Primary Antibody Incubation**

- a. Make a 1/30,000 dilution of the primary antibody (anti-RsaA) in 25 mL of blocking buffer
- b. Incubate the membrane the the mix, on rotating platform for 1 hour in the dark

### **5. Wash Step**

- a. Wash 2 times for 5 minutes in 25mM wash buffer, on rotating platform, in the dark

### **6. Secondary Antibody Incubation**

7. Make a 1/50,000 dilution of the secondary antibody (Goat-anti-rabbit w/ fluorophore) in 25 mL of blocking buffer
8. Incubate the membrane the the mix, on rotating platform for 1 hour in the dark

### **9. Wash Step**

- a. Wash 2 times for 5 minutes in 25mM wash buffer, on rotating platform, in the dark

### **10. Imaging**

- a. Use licor imager
- b. Excite the fluorophore at 700 nm wavelength